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Re:

MDL-1596 -- In re Zyprexa Products Liability Litigation

(See Attached Schedule A of Order)

April 13, 2006

Dear Mr. Heinemann:

I am enclosing a certified copy and one additional copy of a transfer order filed today by the Panel in the above-captioned matter. The order is directed to you for filing.

The Panel's governing statute, 28 U.S.C. §1407, requires that the transferee clerk "...transmit a certified copy of the Panel's order to transfer to the clerk of the district court from which the action is being transferred."

A list of involved counsel is attached.

Very truly,

Michael J. Beck Clerk of the Panel

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Enclosures/Attachment

Transferee Judge: Judge Jack B. Weinstein

Transferor Judges: (See Attached Lists of Judges) Transferor Clerks: (See Attached List of Clerks)

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BEFORE THE JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

IN RE ZYPREXA PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

BEFORE WM. TERRELL HODGES,* CHAIRMAN, JOHN F. KEENAN, D. LOWELL JENSEN, J. FREDERICK MOTZ, ROBERT L. MILLER, JR., KATHRYN H. VRATIL AND DAVID R. HANSEN, JUDGES OF THE PANEL

TRANSFER ORDER

Before the Panel are motions brought, respectively, pursuant to Rule 7.4, R.P.J.P.M.L., 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), by plaintiffs in twelve Eastern District of Missouri actions, ten Western District of Missouri actions and three Middle District of Alabama actions as listed on Scheduled A. These plaintiffs ask the Panel to vacate its orders conditionally transferring the actions to the Eastern District of New York for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings occurring there in this docket. Two doctors named as defendants in one of the ten Western District of Missouri actions also move to vacate the Panel's order conditionally transferring that action. Defendant Eli Lilly and Co. opposes the motions to vacate and urges inclusion of all 25 actions in the MDL-1596 proceedings.

On the basis of the papers filed and hearing session held, the Panel finds that these 25 actions involve common questions of fact with the actions in this litigation previously transferred to the Eastern District of New York, and that transfer of these actions to the Eastern District of New York for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings in that district will serve the convenience of the parties and witnesses and promote the just and efficient conduct of the litigation. The Panel further finds that transfer of these actions is appropriate for reasons expressed by the Panel in its original order directing centralization in this docket. In that order, the Panel held that the Eastern District of New York was a proper Section 1407 forum for actions involving claims of liability related to the prescription drug Zyprexa. See In re Zyprexa Products Liability Litigation, 314 F.Supp.2d 1380 (J.P.M.L. 2004). Any motions for remand to state court can be presented to and decided by the transferee court. See, e.g., In re Ivy, 901 F.2d 7 (2nd Cir. 1990); In re Prudential Insurance Company of America Sales Practices Litigation, 170 F.Supp.2d 1346, 1347-48 (J.P.M.L. 2001).

Judge Hodges took no part in the decision of this matter.

Larry Wright v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., W.D. Missouri, C.A. No. 2:05-4413.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407, these actions are transferred to the Eastern District of New York and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Jack B. Weinstein for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings occurring there in this docket.

FOR THE PANEL:

John F. Keenan Acting Chairman

SCHEDULE A

MDL-1596 -- In re Zyprexa Products Liability Litigation

Middle District of Alabama

Shaheed Muhammad v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-1046 Latofia Crimes v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-1047 Sanguirnetta McCray-Martin v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-1048

Eastern District of Missouri

Cheryl Andrews v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2126 CDP

Jacqueline Jenell Brown v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2127 CEJ

Gloria Hayes v. Eli Lilly & Co, et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2128 DJS

Myra Frisbie v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2129 JEH

Xavier Johnson v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2139 ERW

Stanley Lewis v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2140 RWS

Linda Young v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2142 SNL

Darryl Scott v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2143 JCH

Valerie Ann Shaffer v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2151 JCH

Windy Atterberry v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2177 CDP

Ethel Stevens v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-2178

Western District of Missouri

Michael Skinner v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-4411
Larry Wright v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 2:05-4413
Tina Carrero v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1083
Mary Ella Weese v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1114
Susan M. Riley v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1118
Pamela Hedrix v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1151
Brenda Gleese v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1244
Lamont Jay Hemphill v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1245
Linda Ward Tindall v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1246
Rosetta Marie Williams v. Eli Lilly & Co., et al., C.A. No. 4:05-1247

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